



# NEW MILLENNIUM PROGRAM

## **Innovative Approaches for Advanced Space Technology Demonstrations**

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# Ambitious Plans

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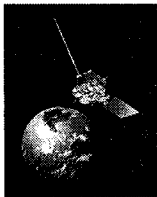
## Office of Earth Science



- EOS Post 2002



- Landsat Follow-on



- NPOES



- Advanced Geostationary



- ESSP

## Office of Space Sciences

- Mars Exploration
- Outer Planets
- Discovery
- Solar Terrestrial Probes
- UNEX/SMEX/MIDEX
- Gravity Probe B/LISA
- Next Generation Space Telescope
- Space interferometry Mission/Terrestrial Planet Finder





# Advanced Technologies: Essential to Achieve OES and OSS Objectives

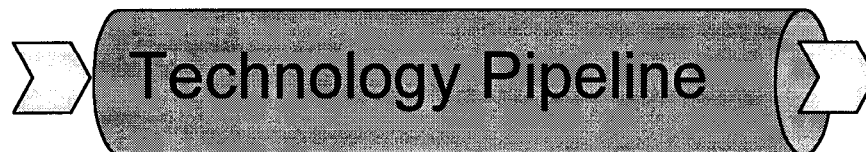
## Science Missions



## Impediments to Rapid Technology Infusion:

- Lack of flight heritage
  - real or perceived risks
    - cost
    - schedule
    - performance
- Little visibility to mission planners
  - capabilities poorly understood
  - A complete paradigm shift is needed to fully exploit some technologies

*Impedance Mismatch*

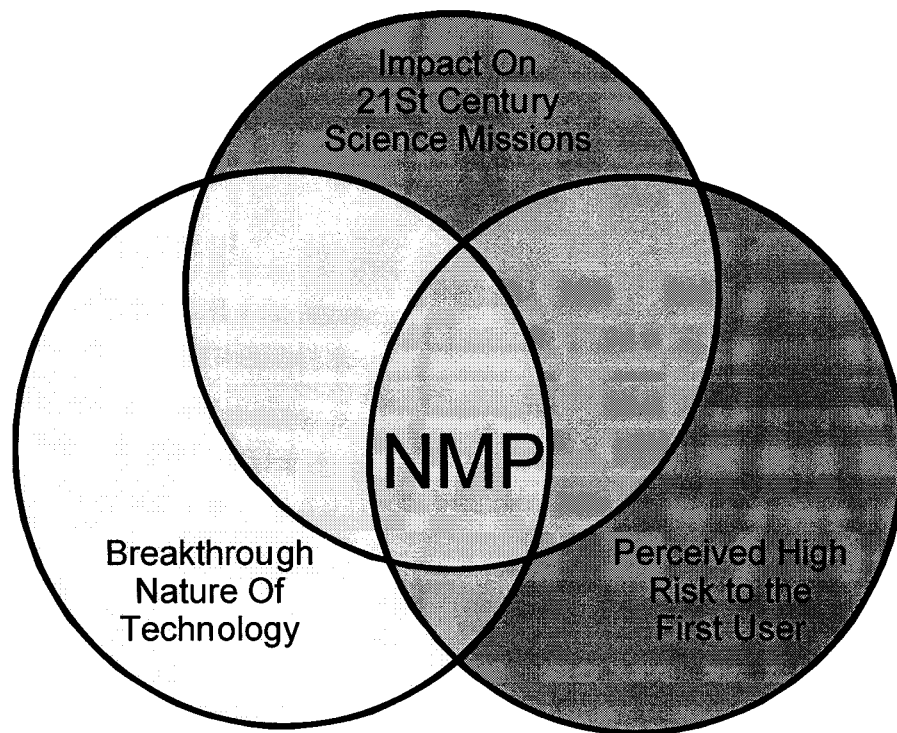




# The New Millennium Program

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**A cross-Enterprise program to identify and flight validate breakthrough technologies that will significantly benefit future Space Science and Earth Science missions**

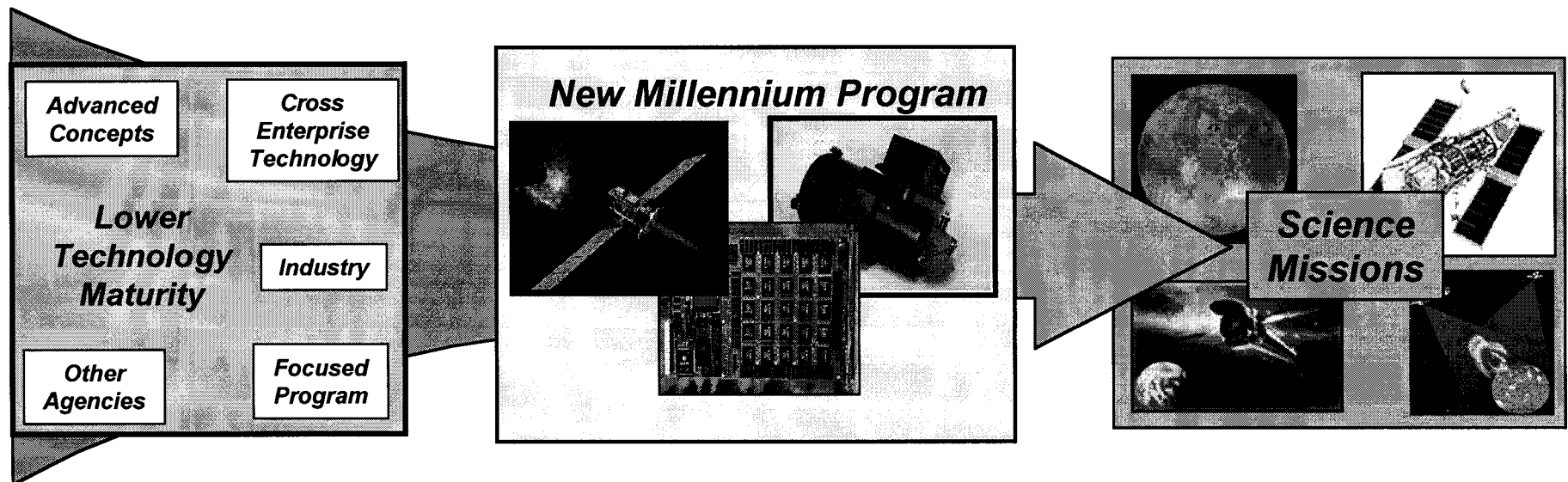


- Breakthrough technologies
  - Enable new capabilities to meet Earth and Space Science needs
  - Reduce costs of future missions
- Flight validation
  - mitigates risks to first users
  - enables rapid technology infusion into future missions



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# The New Millennium Program Fills a Critical Role in Space Science Technology Development





Basic Principles  
Observed & Reported  
Conceptual  
Form

Conceptual Design Formulated

Design  
Tested  
Conceptual Design  
Tested Experimentally  
Critical  
Hardware

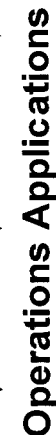
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Pre-Prototype  
Tested

Prototype  
Developed to Qualify  
Engineer  
Tester

Engineering Model  
Tested in Space

Operational

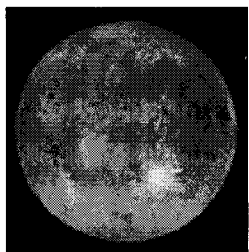




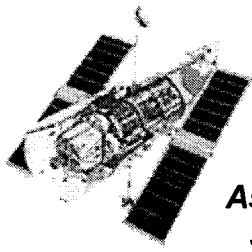
# Space Science Strategic Plans Drive the Technology Validation Needs

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## Strategic Plans /Technology Roadmaps



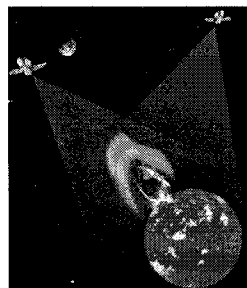
**Solar System  
Exploration (SSE)**



**Astronomical  
Search for  
Origins (ASO)**



**Structure & Evolution  
of the Universe  
(SEU)**



**Sun Earth  
Connection (SEC)**

**Future Missions  
Technology Needs**

**Technology Development/  
Availability**

**Space Science  
Technology  
Development Needs**

**TECHNOLOGY PIPELINE**



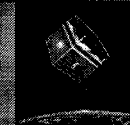
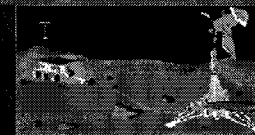
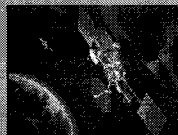
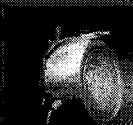
# Cross-Enterprise Technology Thrust Areas

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## Office of Earth Science



## Office of Space Sciences



## Thinking Space Systems

## Micro-Nano Sciencecraft

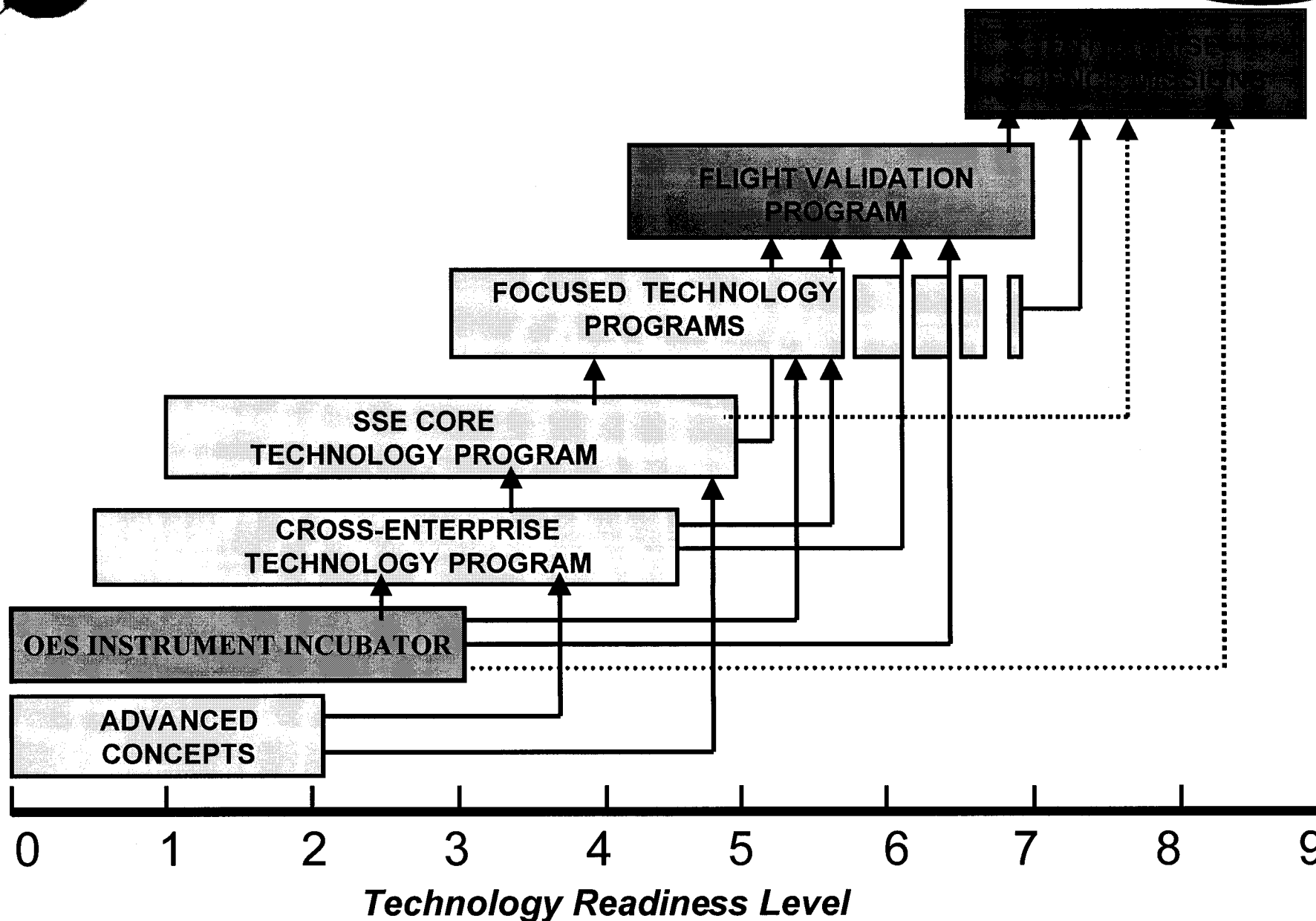
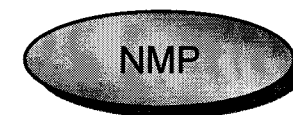
## Distributed Spacecraft

## Ultra-Lightweight Structures / Space Observatories





# Technology Program Elements

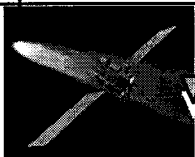


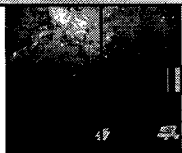

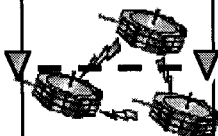







# Validation Flight Launch Schedule



Year	98	99	00	01	02	03	04
DS1	 ▼ 10/98						
DS2	 ▼ 01/99						
EO1		 ▼ 12/99					
Future Flights							
ST3							
ST5							
EO3							



# Deep Space 1

## Rapid Access to Small Bodies

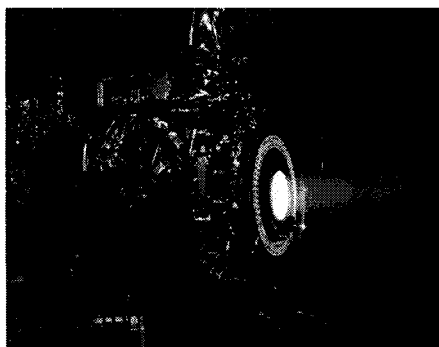
- Designed to validate ion propulsion and 11 other advanced technologies
- Successfully launched, October 24, 1998
- Technology Validation Status
  - all technologies fully validated
- Encountered Asteroid 1992KD on July 29, 1999
  - Significant science and technology return
- Extended mission will allow encounters with 2 comets in 2001:
  - Comet Wilson-Harrington
  - Comet Borelli



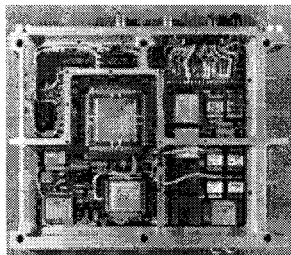
# Deep Space 1

## System Level Validation of 12 Breakthrough Technologies

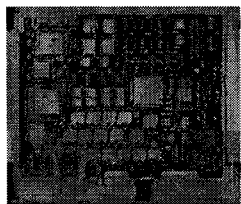
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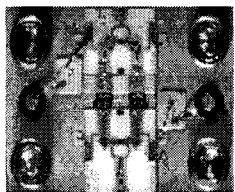
Small Deep Space Transponder



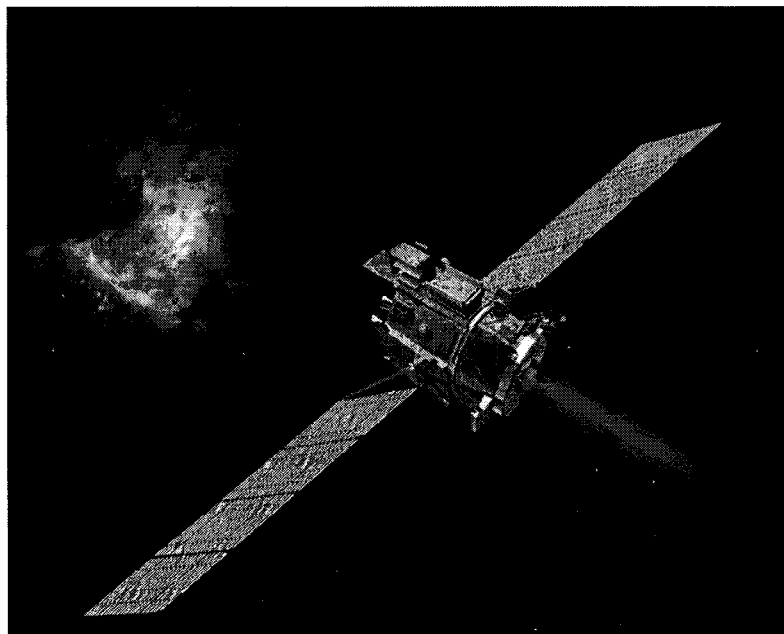
Low Power Electronics



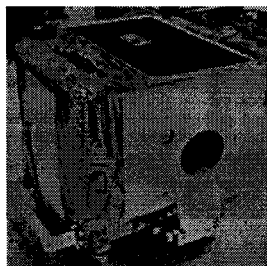
Ka-Band Solid State Power Amplifier



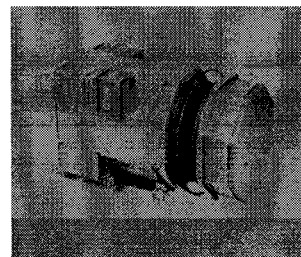
Multifunctional Structure



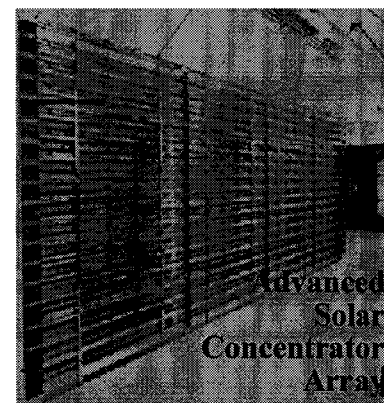
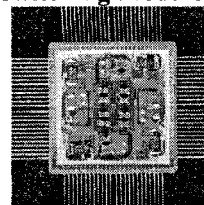
Plasma Experiment for Planetary Exploration



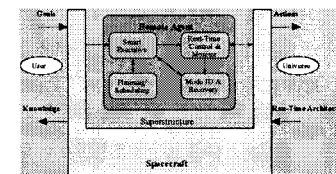
Miniature Integrated Camera Spectrometer



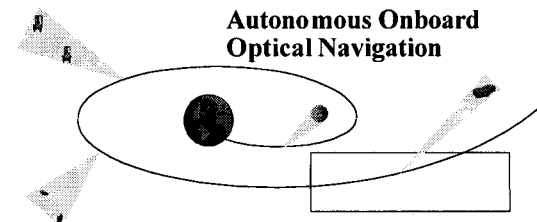
Power Activation & Switching Module



Remote Agent Architecture



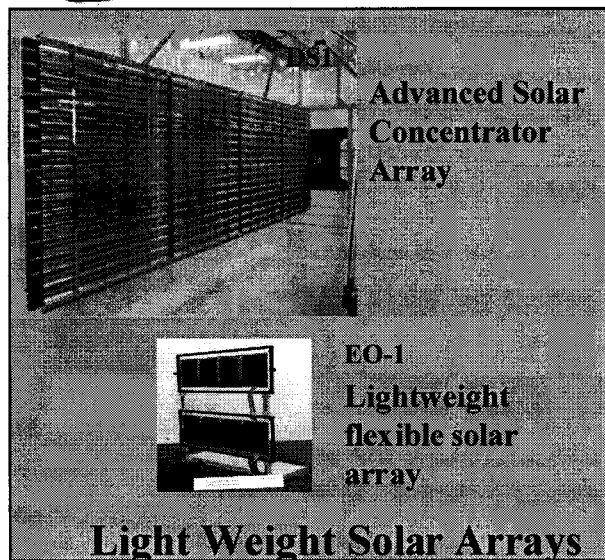
Autonomous Onboard Optical Navigation





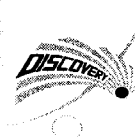
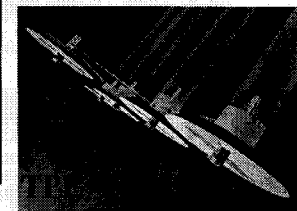
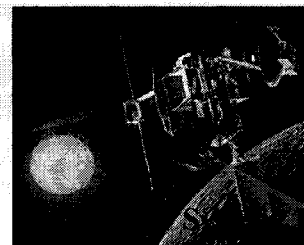
# Solar Electric Propulsion Future Users

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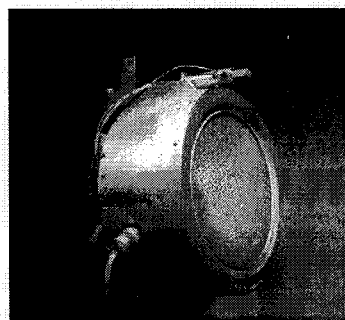
## Space Science

Comet Rendezvous



## Benefits of Solar Electric Propulsion

- Transportation
- Formation Flying
- Station Keeping/Orbit Maintenance

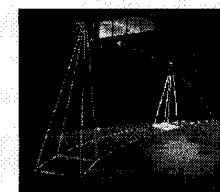
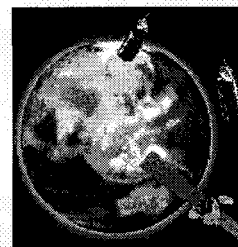
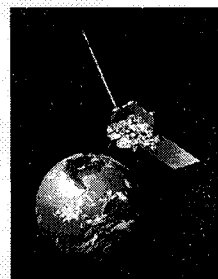


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Ion  
Propulsion



Pulsed  
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Thruster

Electric Propulsion



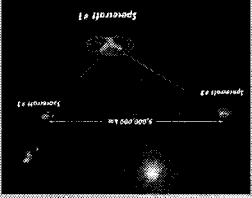
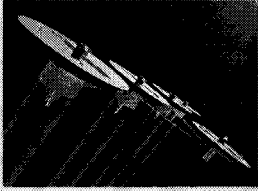
ESSP

Earth Science



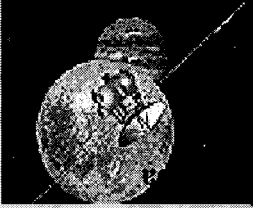
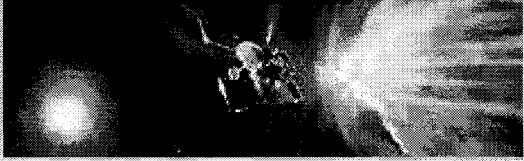
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# Space Science



# and LISA

- Automatic sequencing & real time control for interferometer instruments such as TPF

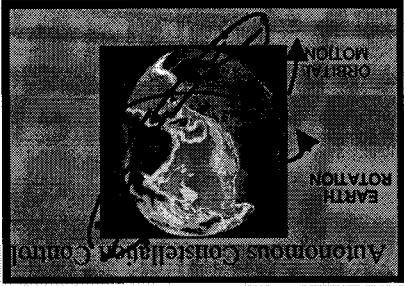
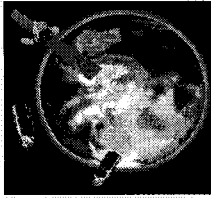


## Stardust, and Europa Orbiter

- ## • Autonomous optical navigation for

- Magnetospheric Multiscale, Magnetospheric Constellation
- Self monitoring for Europa Orbiter, MEX proposals & Earth orbiters

- Formation flying and/or autonomous operations for EOS and ESSP Missions



# Earth Science

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## Deep Space 2: Mars Microprobes

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- Designed to validate technologies for surface penetrators and network science
  - Passive entry, descent, and landing system
    - built to survive high-g impact (30,000 - 80,000 g's)
  - Miniaturized Electronics
    - power, microprocessor, telecom
  - Low-temperature batteries
  - Soil acquisition/Water detection experiment
- 2 probes successfully launched, January 3, 1999
  - Piggyback on Mars Surveyor 98 Lander cruise stage
- Landing in Martian South polar regions
  - December 3, 1999
  - Validation data expected after landing

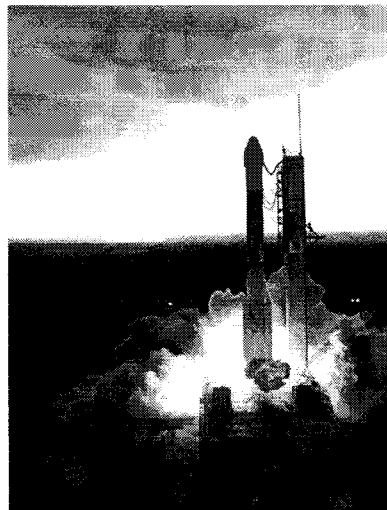




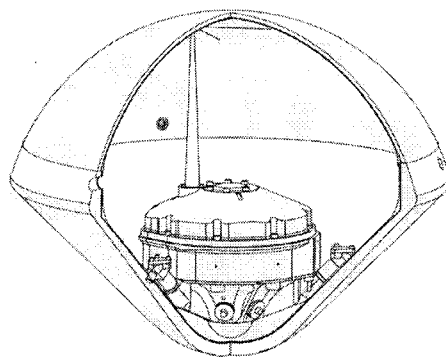
# Deep Space 2

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## Technologies for surface penetrators and network science

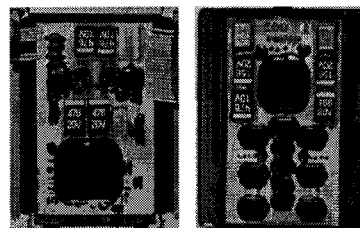


**Launch:**  
January 3, 1999

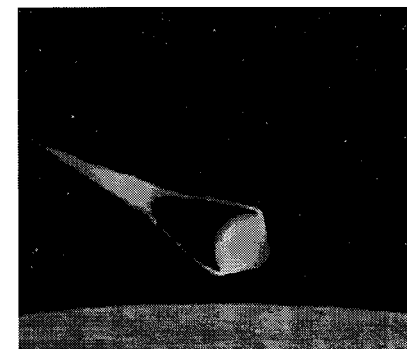


**Single-Stage, Passive  
Aeroshell Entry System**

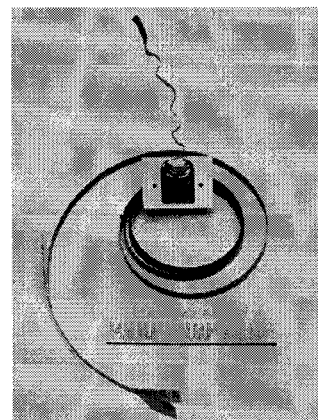
**Power Microelectronics**



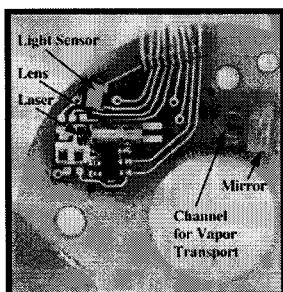
**Probe Entry**  
December 3, 1999



**Flexible Interconnect**



**Landed Operations:**  
Primary Mission: 2 Sols  
(extended mission battery  
dependent)

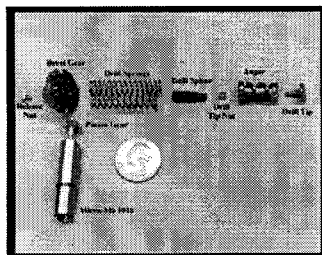
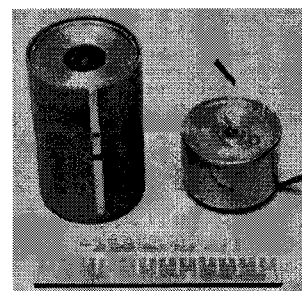


**Miniaturized  
Tunable  
Diode Laser  
Spectrometer  
Subsurface  
Water Detection**

**Advanced  
Microcontroller**

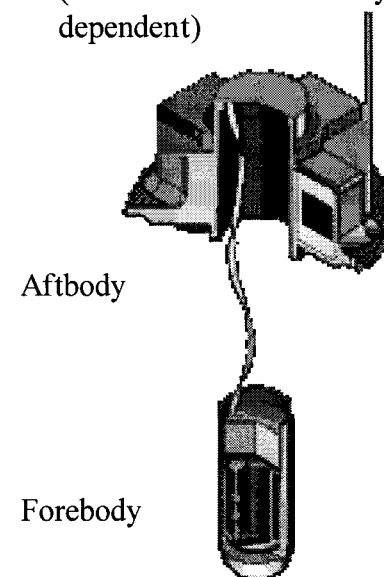


**Lithium Ion  
Batteries**



**Drill and Soil  
Acquisition  
System**

Motor / Drill Assembly



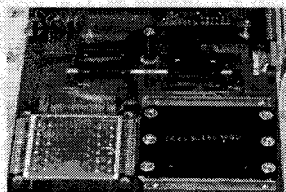
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Forebody

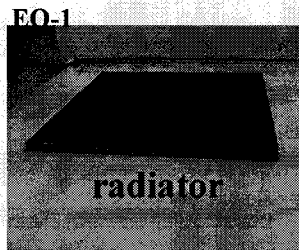


# Micro-Nano Spacecraft's Future Users

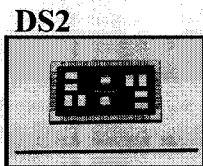
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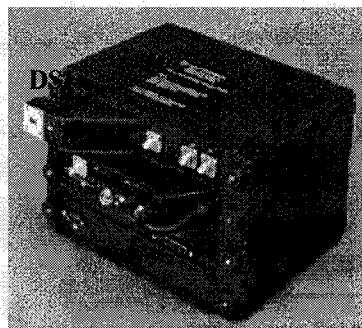
**Multifunctional structure**



**EO-1 radiator**

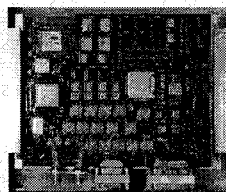


**Advanced Micro Controller**



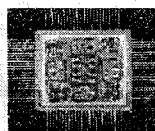
**Small Deep Space Transponder**

DS1



**Low Power Electronics**

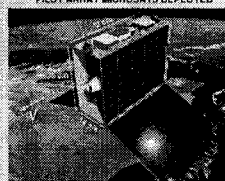
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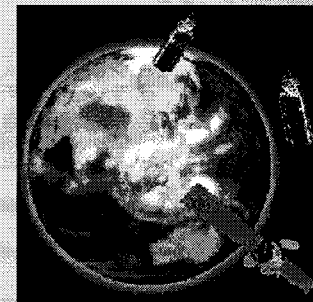
**Power switching module**

**Innovations that simplify design, fabrication, reduces mass & reduce resource requirements**

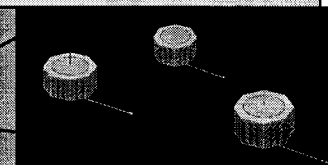
## Earth Science



**PILOT ARRAY MICROSATs DEPLOYED**



- Potential for EOS Follow-On
- ESSP and Earth Probes



- STP Magnetospheric Multiscale Mission



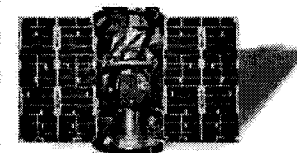
**Mars Amp**



**DISCOVERY**

SMEX

- Mars Micro missions
- Discovery
- UNEX/SMEX/MIDEX



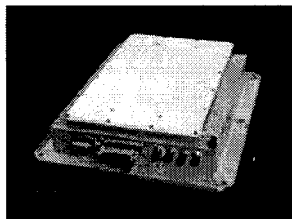
**Space Science**



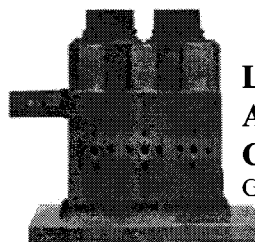
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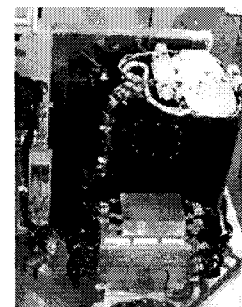
## Validation of 9 Breakthrough Technologies



**X-Band Phased Array Antenna:**  
Boeing, GSFC & Lewis Research Center



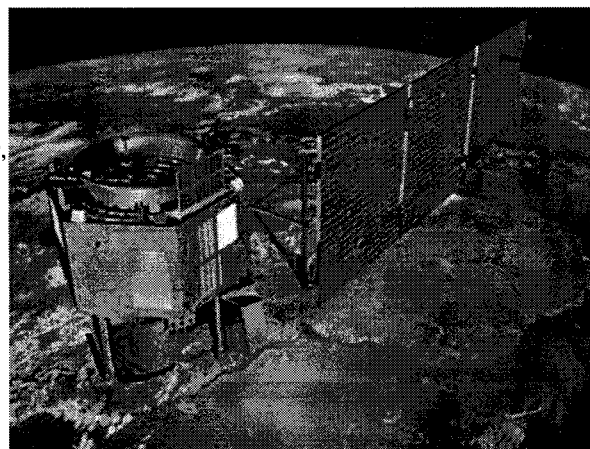
**Leisa Atmospheric Corrector:**  
GSFC



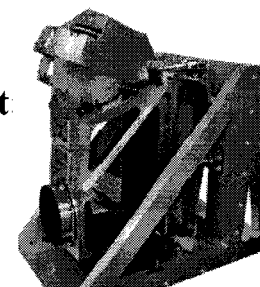
**Advanced Land Imager:**  
MIT Lincoln Lab, GSFC, Raytheon / Santa Barbara Remote Sensing, & Sensor Systems Group



**Carbon-Carbon Radiator:**  
Air Force Research Lab, Amoco Polymers, BF Goodrich, GSFC, Langley Research Center, Lockheed Martin, Naval Surface Warfare Center, & TRW



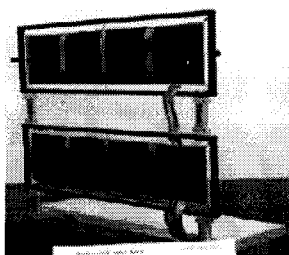
**Spacecraft:**  
GSFC, Litton, SWALES



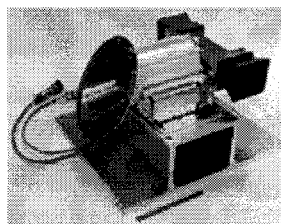
**Hyperion:**  
TRW, JPL, GSFC



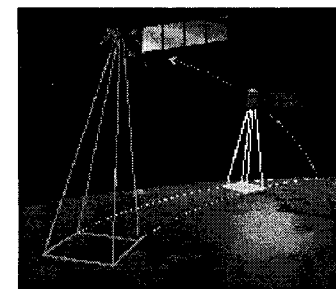
**Wideband Advanced Recorder Processor:**  
GSFC, Litton, MIT Lincoln Lab, Swales, & TRW



**Lightweight Flexible Solar Array:**  
GSFC, Lockheed Martin, & Phillips Lab



**Pulsed Plasma Thruster:**  
GSFC, Lewis Research Center & PRIMEX

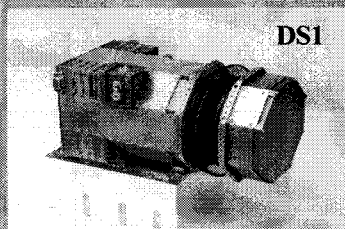


**Enhanced Formation Flying:**  
GSFC, JPL

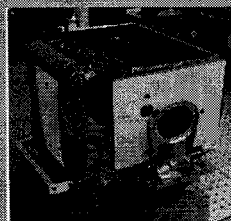


# Hyper/Multi-Spectral Imagers & Spectrometers Future Users

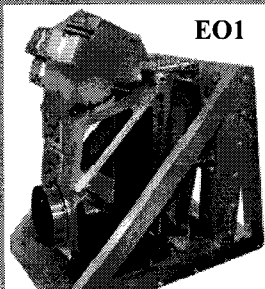
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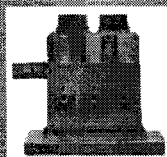
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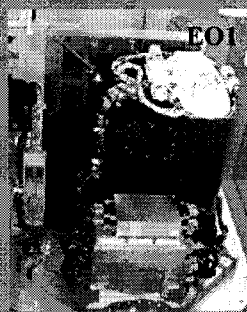
Miniature Integrated Camera Spectrometer



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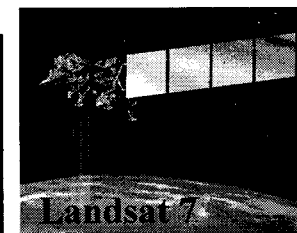
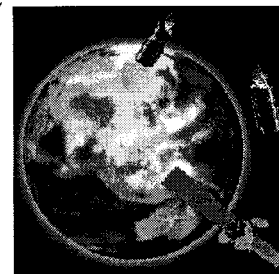
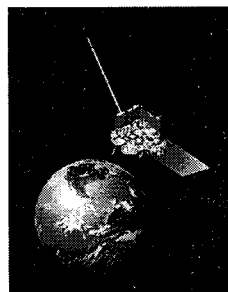
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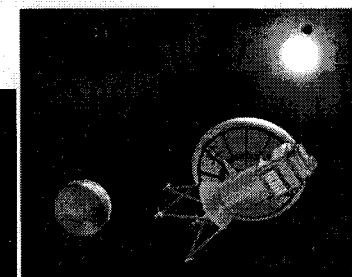
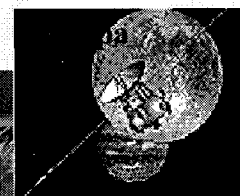
Advanced Land Imager

**Hyper/Multi-Spectral Imager & Camera-Spectrometer**

## Earth Science



- Planetary & solar plasma scientists have proposed to use copies of the PEPE instrument for future missions
- Validation of an all SiC optical instrument covering the FUV to SWIR will enable many new miniature, low-mass cameras and spectrometers



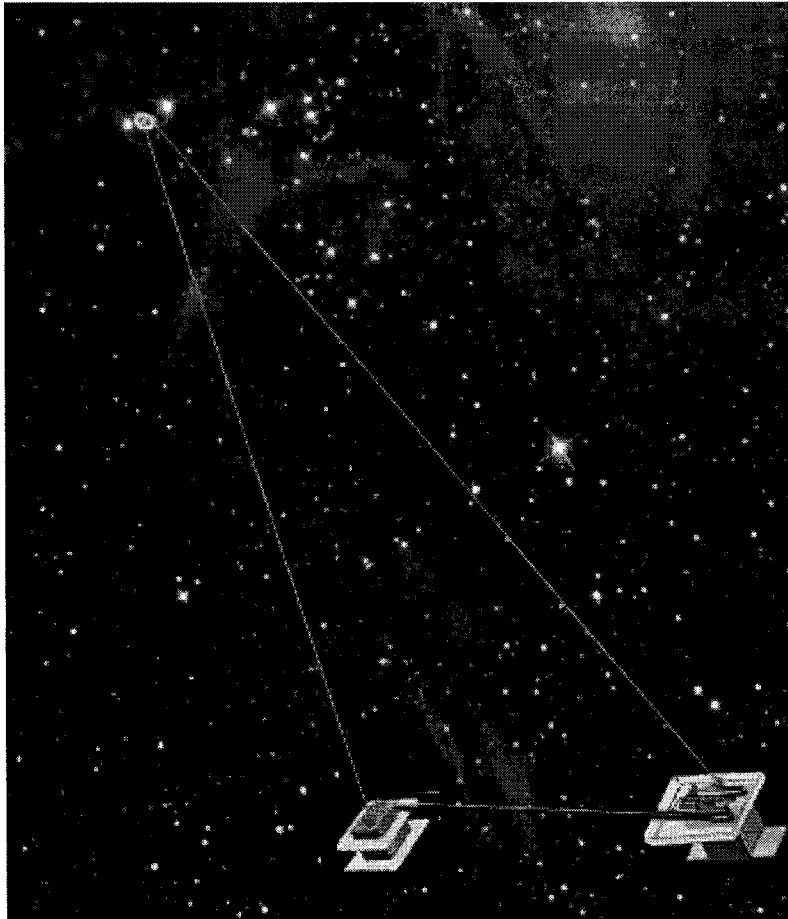
**Space Science**





## ST3: Two Spacecraft Interferometer

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- S/C separation from 50 m to 1 km
  - Observation baselines of 40 to 200 m
  - 8th magnitude stellar targets
- Parabola is locus of constant delay
- Combiner contains 20 m fixed delay line
- Combiner can operate as a 1 m monolithic interferometer
  - No collector, bypass fixed delay
- Both S/C maintain fixed orientation relative to each other during baseline changes





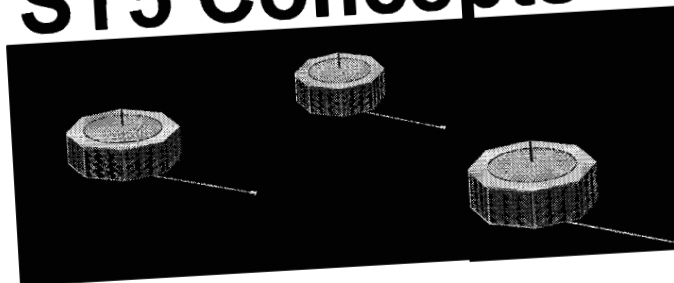
# The ST5 Opportunity

- ST5 will validate technologies for
  - Structure and Evolution of the Universe (SEU)
  - Sun-Earth Connection (SEC)
- Current technology themes
  - Disturbance reduction system technologies (e.g. LISA)
  - Solar sail (e.g., sun polar orbiter, interstellar probe, etc)
  - Nanosatellite (e.g., magnetospheric constellation, etc.)
- Technology RFP issued, March 1999
  - Successful proposers incorporated into study teams
  - Each team prepares a report for mission selection review
- ST5 is a low-cost validation flight
  - Total implementation phase budget of <\$30M



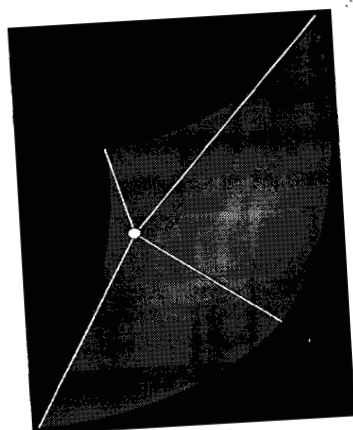
# ST5 Concepts

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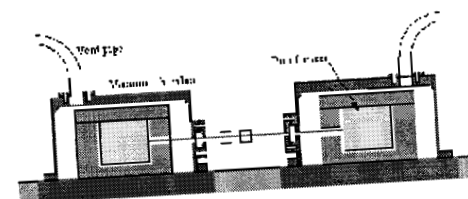
## Nanosatellites

- Small (spinning) spacecraft, deployed and operated in constellations
- Each with multiple small Fields and Particles Instrument Technologies



## Solar Sail

- Propulsion system to place spacecraft in desired locations unreachable (or un-maintainable) by alternative propulsion systems
- Small Fields and Particles Instrument Technologies (on bus, sail or sub-sat.)



## Disturbance Reduction System

- Inertial and position sensing technologies for precision spacecraft positioning - for future gravitational and interferometric applications





# ST5 Nanosat Constellation Trailblazer Mission



## *Miniature Spacecraft*

- Systems Design Integration and Test Technologies

## *Candidate Spacecraft Technologies*

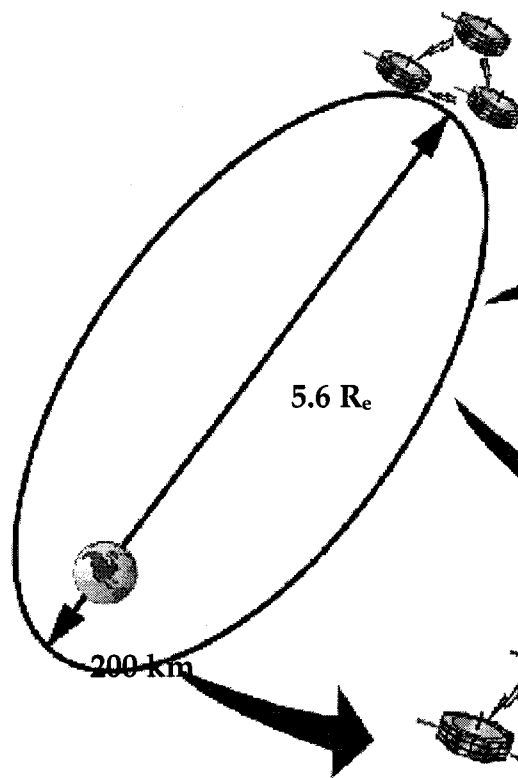
- 5V bus - 1/4V logic
- Li-Ion batteries
- Miniature transponder
- Miniature Thrusters
- Multi-functional structure
- Variable emittance coatings

## *Constellation Control, Coordination, and Operations Architecture*

- Ground system autonomy
- Relative ranging
- Intra-constellation communications

## *Constellation Class Missions*

Simultaneous, Multipoint, In-Situ Characterization of the Magnetosphere



*Single Nanosats and Probes*  
Reduced Risk Small  
Spacecraft Bus for Low  
Cost Missions

*Virtual Platforms*  
For Science  
Missions

TECHNOLOGY



VALIDATION



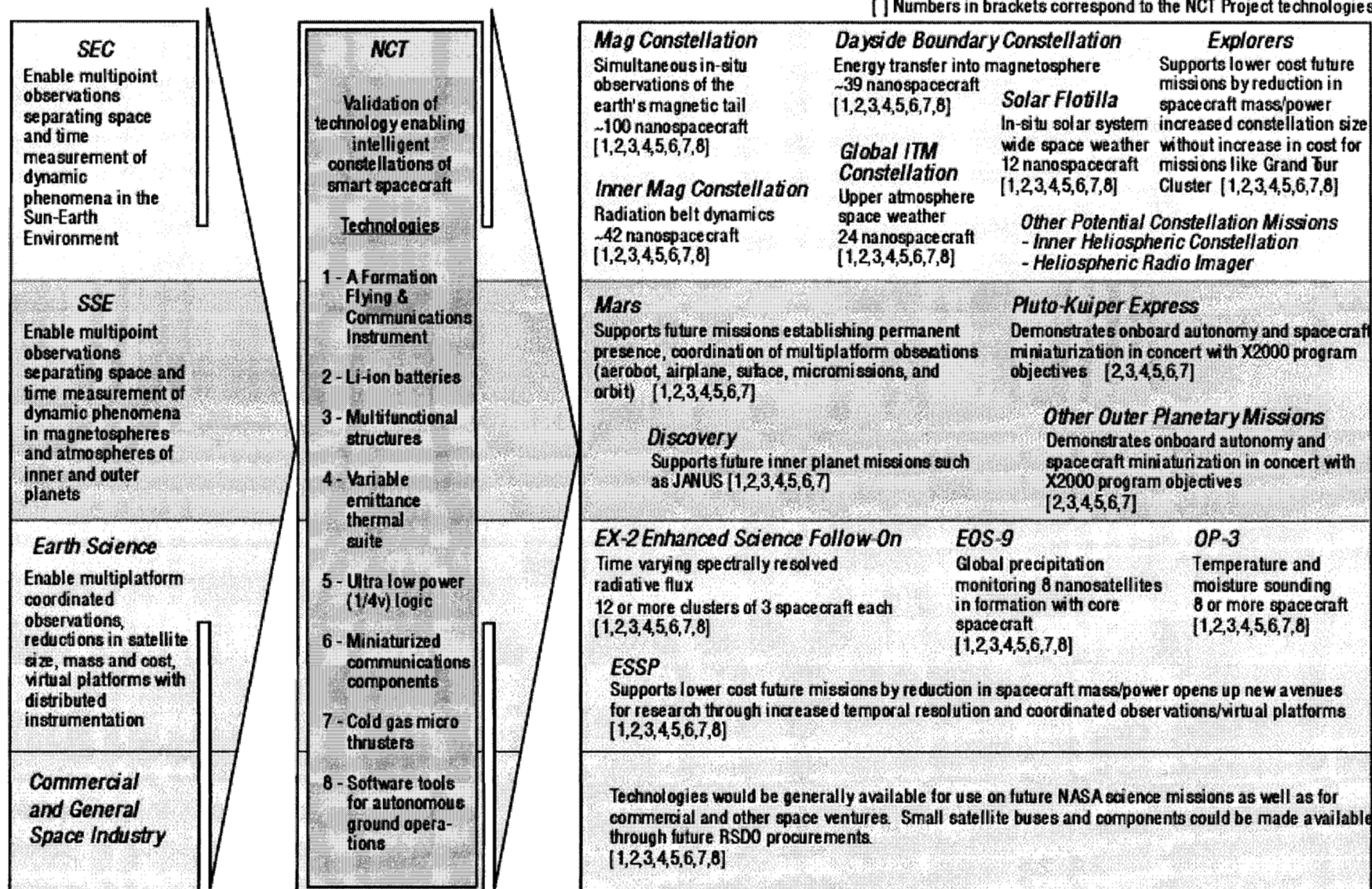
INFUSION



# Technology Infusion from ST5 into Future Missions

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[ ] Numbers in brackets correspond to the NCT Project technologies.



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# The EO3 Opportunity

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The NASA OES directed the NMP to:

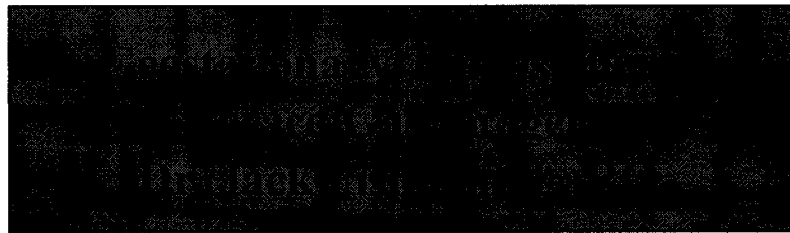
- Focus the third Earth Observing mission, EO3, on innovative measurement concepts for remote sensing observations from orbits beyond conventional low-Earth orbit (LEO)
  - Geostationary orbits
  - Highly elliptical orbits
  - Mid-Earth and high-Earth orbits
  - L1 and L2
- Issued a NASA Research Announcement (NRA) to solicit the measurement concepts
  - Maximize participation by the Earth science and technology communities
  - identify revolutionary technologies, and/or measurement strategies
- 24 proposals were submitted and peer reviewed by the OES
- 4 concepts were selected for a 6-month study
  - downselected to one or two flight projects before 9/30/99



# EO3 Measurement Concepts

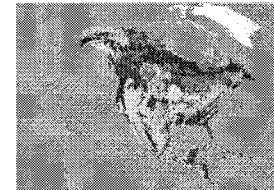
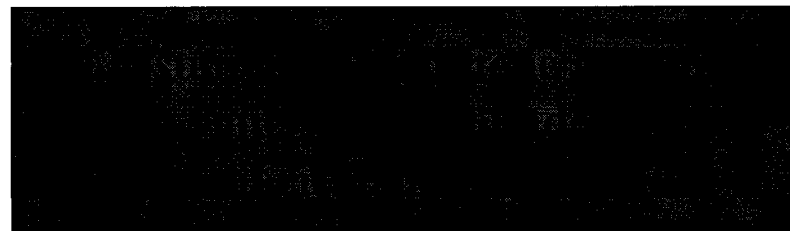
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Four Measurement Concepts were chosen for further study as candidates for EO-3 mission

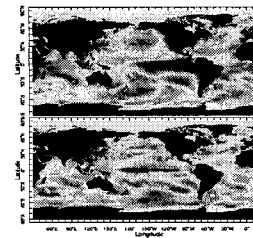


**Geostationary Imaging Fourier Transform Spectrometer**  
Dr. William L. Smith, LaRC

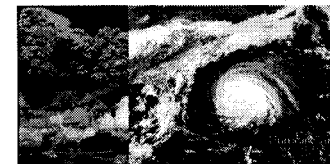
**Active Large Aperture Optical Systems for High Resolution Thermal Imaging from Geosynchronous Orbit**  
Del Jenstrom, GSFC



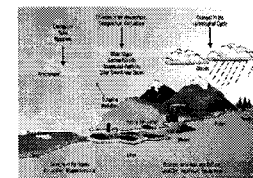
**Land-Cover and Land-Use Change**



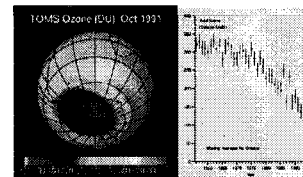
**Seasonal-to-Interannual Climate Variability and Prediction**



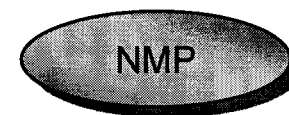
**Natural Hazards Research and Applications**



**Long-Term Climate: Natural Variability and Change Research**



**Atmospheric Ozone Research**





# Technology-focused NMP Process

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- Alignment with Science theme need insured by
  - selecting technologies to address specific capability needs in science roadmaps
  - involvement of science community in identification, review and where appropriate, validation of technologies
- Phase A Concept Definition is technology focused
  - Open, peer-reviewed competition for technologies
  - For system validation, science AO in Phase B where appropriate
  - Provide capabilities needed to enable future high-priority science missions
  - Provide significant improvements in performance, or reductions in life-cycle cost
  - Require validation to mitigate risks to first science user
  - selected technologists participate in project concept definition team
- Independent review of project concepts prior to selection



# Key Participants in NMP Process



## Science Community

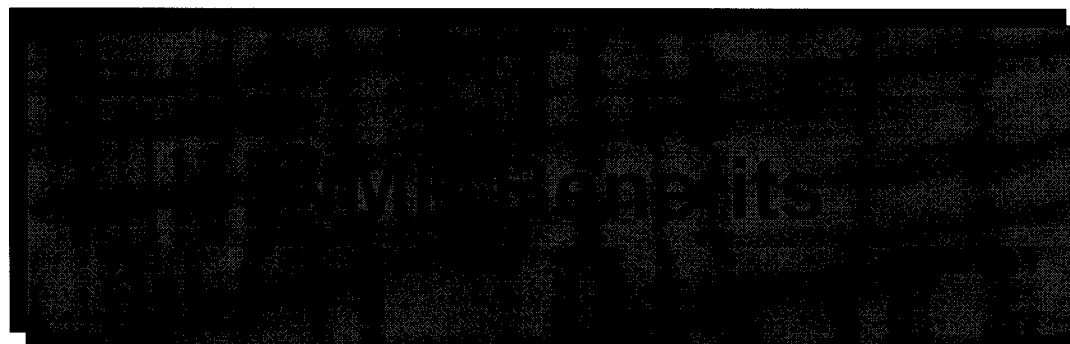
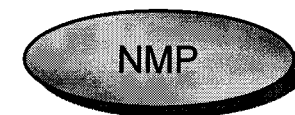
- Defines capability needs in theme roadmaps
- Participates with NMP to identify technology requirements, review technology candidates / concept studies, and participates via AO where appropriate

## NASA HQ

- Defines priorities and constraints for Projects
- Authorizes project concept definition studies
- Leads peer reviews of technology solicitation
- Assigns project implementation center
- Conducts independent reviews
- Selects and approves project for implementation
- Where appropriate, selects science support via AO

## NMP

- Leads identification of technology validation candidates
- Conducts project concept definition studies
- Selects technology providers through open competition
- Oversees project implementation



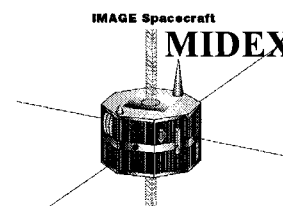
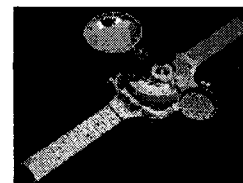
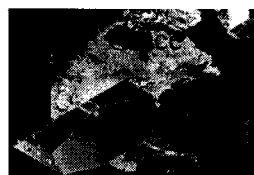
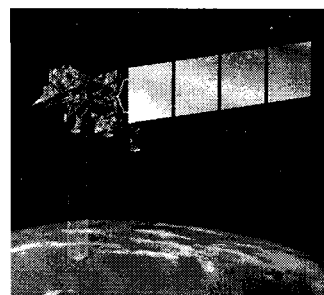
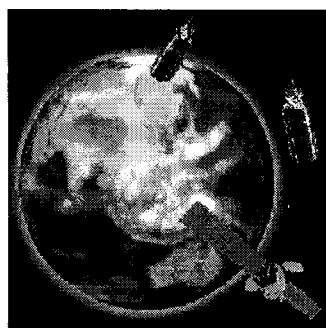
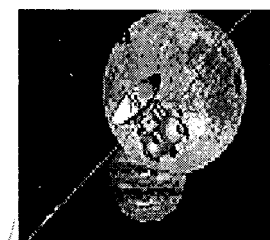
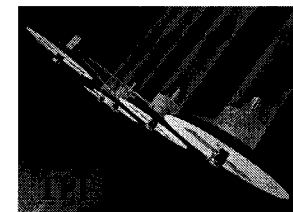




# Benefits of NMP Processes



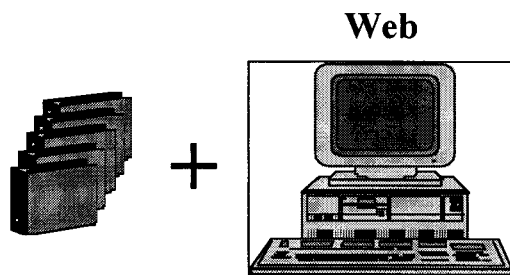
- Infusion into future science missions
  - Future projects using NMP validated technologies
  - Technology database for PI missions
    - New capabilities enable new opportunities
    - MIDEX/SMEX/Discovery/ESSP
- Enhanced NASA's technology community through partnerships
  - Industry
  - Academia
  - Government Laboratories



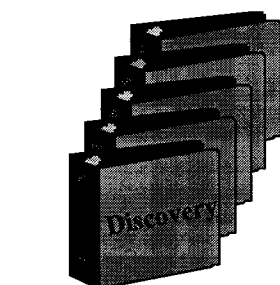


# Technology Validation Information Dissemination Activities

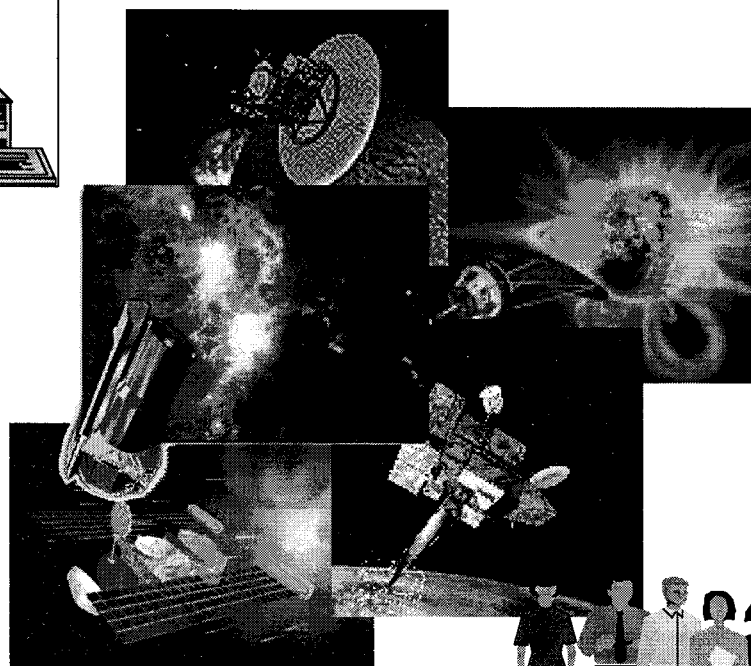
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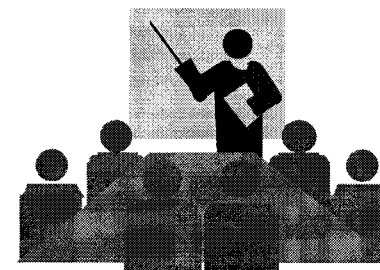
Validation Reports



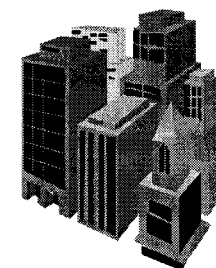
Support next set  
of Science AO's



User Community Contacts



Validation Workshops



Conferences



# Summary

- NMP space flight validation provides a critical bridge from technology development to use in future science missions
  - Facilitates realization of benefits from NASA technology investment portfolio
- Program focus is on validating breakthrough technologies that enable new high priority science capabilities or provide needed capabilities at greatly reduced cost and risk for both OSS and OES missions
- Breakthrough technologies in each project are classified as project-defining or project-enhancing
  - Project-defining technologies replace proven technologies whose successful operation is required for project success
  - Project-enhancing technologies contribute to increased project capability, but are not needed for project success